Lamorinda boys soccer wrap-up

Along with both goalkeepers, Curtis expects great things from seniors Will Eastley, who will return for his senior season, and Daven Myall, who will be a junior next year. The Dons gave up only 7 goals in their 12 league matches.

Curtis looks forward to next year, saying “There is a lot of talent returning along with some strong support coming up from the freshmen and junior varsity who should incorporate well into the team.”

Miramonte (9-6-5, 4-2-2 league) Although finishing in the middle of the pack of the BVAL league, Miramonte head coach Massoud Ahmadi pulled through tough games against the top three teams in the league—Los Cerritos, Campbell, and Napa Valley—and indicated of their competitive nature this year.

They were one of only two teams to beat Campbell in league, and they also put up a strong battle against No. 1 Alhambra in the NCS quarterfinals, losing by a 5-1 score. Ahmadi, in his fifth year at the varsity helm, said the team will be ready for the NCS tournament, and looks to a strong returning squad to continue the program’s success.

Leading the team this year were seniors Cooper Bremet, a dynamic player who Ahmadi credits with being “a great distributor with a tremendous week after week running our possession-oriented game,” and Luca Argent, another 6-year varsity member who transferred to Lamorinda this year. “Both Cooper and Luca brought the right mentality to the game along with senior Yacine Halawani who was an inspiration. We will miss them along with other graduating seniors Charlie McIntyre, Eric Hellman, and Samantha Marpessa.”

Jabril Rutb Bizuki was the team’s leading scorer (10 goals, 6 assists) and was named First Team All-League, and the team’s offensive MVP while Simon Houssou-Brown, a sophomore, made Second Team All-League and was the team’s overall MVP. Hellman was named Defensive MVP and All-League Honorable Mention.

Ahmadi mentioned other strong returning players for next year, including juniors Giovanni Spinelli and Casey Weismann, and sophomore Finnley Jackson, Gregory Rehmfuss, and Adrian Argent. Hobson was named Most Improved player.

“A look forward to the future and hope to see close to the culture we’ve built in the program,” says Ahmadi.

St. Perpetua’s 6th grade American girls Claim League Championship

Submitted by Jane Smith

The St. Perpetua sixth grade girls’ basketball team won the West Valley CYO League Championship on Feb. 28. They were the only team from St. Perpetua (both boys and girls) to go unchallenged through league. Winning games and league play, and interleague play, the team faced a tough Santa Maria team in the championship game. The team moves onto division play in March and will face the forth seed from East Valley CYO.

8th grade Santa Maria girls are the CYO basketball National Division Champions

Submitted by Paradi Mirrman

After an undefeated regular season, the Santa Maria CYO girls basketball team won their playoff and finals games over the Feb. 23 weekend. They shot in the last game of their CYO basketball careers the next day.

Girls basketball Blitz team wins tournament

Submitted by Brian Ames

Lafayette-based AAU program Ray Area Blitz (665) sixth grade won the largest youth girls AUB basketball tournament of the year in Southern California over President’s Weekend, the 11U Invitational. The team had a dominating performance going 10-0 for the weekend beating the top AUB clubs from the entire state of California and Southern Arizona in the championship game. The smallest margin of victory for the girls was 12 points throughout the tournament. Lamorinda coach Addison Ames, Sophie Ciner, Natalie Frenchman, and Daven Myall represented our area well down south.

St. Monica 8th grade American girls win CYO Championship

Submitted by Eric Yabu

In a rematch of last year’s championship, the St. Monica 8th grade girls basketball team took the interleague title in a 44-44 nail biter, avenging their narrow loss to St. Raymond a year ago. After racing to a 27-27 tie behind some key 3-point chopping and strong defense, the St. Monica girls found themselves behind 31-24 with five minutes to go after a 3-pointer from their . Three-A met a dominating rally as they gradually chipping away at the lead, the Sharks scored the game-winning basket on a short shot with 10 seconds to go before making one last defensive stop on how for the victory.

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